

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  EXCEL TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.	DOCKET NOS. TCU-02-03 TF-02-573
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**ORDER APPROVING TARIFF AND ISSUING CERTIFICATE**

(Issued January 28, 2003)

On December 23, 2002, Excel Telecommunications, Inc. (Excel), filed a proposed tariff with the Utilities Board (Board) providing the terms, conditions, and rates for local exchange service in listed exchanges as described in the local exchange maps of Qwest Corporation (Qwest). Revisions to the tariff were filed on January 17, 2003. The proposed tariff and revisions have been identified as Docket No. TF-02-573.

On March 15, 2002, the Board issued an order in Docket No. TCU-02-03 approving Excel's application to provide service in the listed exchanges and approving concurrence in the Qwest exchange maps. The order stated that a certificate would be issued when Excel obtained an approved tariff setting forth the prices, terms, and conditions of local exchange service in Iowa. Excel requests the Board approve the proposed tariff and grant it a certificate to provide service in the listed exchanges.

The Board has reviewed the proposed tariff and finds it substantially complies with Board rules for the filing and processing of tariff pages. The tariff contains rates for both business and residential customers. Notice was provided to all affected carriers. The Board will approve the tariff effective the date of this order and issue Excel a certificate of public convenience and necessity concurrently with this order.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The tariff filed by Excel Telecommunications, Inc., on December 23, 2002, and its revisions filed January 17, 2003, identified as TF-02-573, are approved effective the date of this order.

2. A certificate, identified as Certificate No. 0262, is being issued to Excel Telecommunications, Inc., concurrently with this order.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2003.